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Enforcement of Logical Partitioning of a  
Channel Adapter's Resources in a  
System Area Network**

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**STATEMENT UNDER 35 USC 103(a)**

Sir:

The Examiner has made us aware of US patents 7,010,633, 7,283,473, and 7,493,409 as potential prior art references under 35 USC 103(a). The references were commonly assigned, and thus do not constitute prior art under 103(a).

The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number if in the opinion of the Examiner such a telephone conference would expedite or aid the prosecution and examination of this application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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